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Old Stager and The Deacon of liberty are fond, So just to sink a U-boat of course they bought a bond.

TO EMILE ROSSI.

MILE ROSSI, in the name of the people of Fairmont we salute you. Judging by the name your father was more Italian than French, but perhaps names do not count for much as an indication of nationality in Cosica where the blood of many races has mingled in the is! .d stock and the ardent Saracen, the matter of fact Englishman and the Latins of Spain and of France and Italy made contributions to the present day character. At all events your father died a soldier of France-and that is enough to entitle you to the aid of the student body of the Normal school and the sympathy of the entire community

Judging by the photograph you are a bright lad, albeit a bit vistful in expression. Perhaps wistfulness is a common enough trait in the children of France these days. One cannot help 'ut wonder how many world compelling geniuses will be the direct result of the spiritual repression through which your generation is now going. You may not be one of the geniuses, but the good sweep of head above your ears indicates that you will be able to hold

your own if you get a fair chance. There is the rub; what sort if a chance are you and hundreds of thousands of little boys and girls like you going to have when this war is over and the nation to save w the fathers laid down their lives begins to pick up the broken threads of its life? After all it may be the children who are to be the real sufferers from the war. France, one may be sure, will do what she can. But that may be pitifully little. Well, America is rich. America will have to do the rest. So, he of good courage, Emile, your new found friends will see to it in some way that you get a fair start in the world.

WOOD MAKES GOOD ANYWHERE. EN. LEONARD WOOD has command of the

division of the National army mobilized at Fort Riley, Kansas. The young soldiers who compose that division are to be congratulated. They will be trained under one of the most capable soldiers of his generation, and one whose patriotism and courage are equal to his abilities.

The administration, one may well believe, was most reluctant to give this command to General Wood. Last spring he was taken away from the department headquarters at Governor's Island, where he had rendered such conspicuous service, and was given his choice between the iso-

lated post at Honolula or the newly-created department with headquarters at Charleston, South Carolina. He chose the latter. When it was decided to locate the larger number of training camps in the Southern States and it was discovered that this would bring them within Gen. Wood's jurisdiction, the administration issued orders taking all authority over the camps from the Department commanders and placing it in the hands of the camp commandants-an obvious slap at Gen. Wood.

This, added to the Charleston episode, brought about a storm of disapproval which even the administration could not withstand-and Gen. Wood got a command. It is not the most important command, to be sure, but such is Gen. Wood's ability that he will make it noteworthy.

FREIGHT RATE INCREASES AGAIN.

WHEN the Interstate Commerce Commission last spring refused to permit the railroads to advance their freight rates it indicated that it woul I be willing to entertain a motion to open the question again this fall if the freight situation did not work out in the way the commission thought it would.

Judging by the financial statements of the standard roads the transportation companies are worse off now than they were at this time last year as far as the revenues are concerned, although the increases in the gross revenue, which the members of the Interstate commission anticipated, have been more than realized.

If the book keeping and the practical management of the roads are in condition to be subjected to the rigid examination which would follow another application for permission to advance freight tariffs the railroads probably will never find a more opportune time than the present to take the first

In spite of the hitherto undreamed of gross earnings the roads are barely able to make both ends meet; and if they are to be sujected to further wage increases, such as the one which the men in the passenger service are demanding, they may not be able to do it at all much longer.

Rain halted the British drive east of Ypres yesterday. That was the way in which the great Entente campaign of the Somme came to an end last year, and this halt may mark the end of the serious fighting for the present year. The Flanders mud is a terrible thing. But last year when the fighting ceased the German forces still occupied favorable positions and thus made possible the famous "retreat to victory" of last spring. Now the Germans are very badly placed from a military standpoint, and any retreat, now or later, is bound to become a rout unless they are able to display better generalship than Field Marshal Haig, and that is not at all likely. Except when opposed to inferior forces the Germans have not displayed much genius for master tactics in this war. On the west front they have been outmaneuvered from the beginning of the battle of the Marne fight down to the present minute.

War department experts are said to be discussing the advisability of making another draft either in December or January because it is beginning to be apparent that there will be a lot of unoccupied room in the various cantonments. Getting men ready for the actual business of war as rapidly as possible is one of the most important tasks before the country now, but it seems goes into effect November 4th. to us that this matter of room at the training camps is one of the last considerations which should be permitted to enter into the question of drafting troops. So far as possible our army should be made to consist of large units with uniform training. That will be impossible if men are to be admitted in driblets whenever there happens for any reason to be room at the training

Yesterday a 17 year old boy was sentenced to 14 years application to secure the increase. Be in the penitentiary for a murder during the recent race riot in East St. Louis, but up to date none of the politicians of that badly managed town, whose leadership, or

Vice Admiral von Capelle, minister of marine of the German empire, has resigned, according to reports which come by way of Amsterdam. This is one of the aftermaths of the recent mutiny in the German high seas fleet which has been kent in idleness while von Capelle and his predecessor, von Tirpitz, attempted to end the war by piracy. Keeping a fighting force in idleness is one of the most dangerous things in time of war as well as in time of peace. It may turn out yet that it would have been better for the German cause to have sought a decision on the sea with the fleet which was built up for just that purpose, but which the master strategists of the German side of the war have persistently declin ed. Had the German fleet been destroyed the purely maritime feature of the war would not have been much different than it was, and the Germans would not have been open to the charge of cowardice in the submarine campaign, which in that event would have seemed logical and necessary.

#### SHORT AND SNAPPY.

Mexico protests against her citizens being drafted into the American army. If they are of the Villa variety the louder protest is likely to come from premitting them to don Uncle Sam's uniform .- Connellsville Cour iar.
The price of honey has advanced. Wonder if the bees

are getting better wages .- St. Albans Herald.

The South last year scored an "excess profit" on cotton of about \$600,000,000. Still neither cotton nor the profits are taxed .- Wheeling Intelligencer.

It's an honest-to-goodness fact that some of those who advise you to "save for the war" know as little about real economy as a brindle pup knows about the catechism .- Charleston Leader.

### RUFF STUFF

"But with the advance tip to Fred S. Harr, the dice throwers are likely to get a warm reception here."-From an article in the Astonisher regarding crap shooters headed this way.

. . . Surest thing you know.

Home industry must be protected.

Judging by the way they loaf on the streets the local gamblers do not have enough business to occupy their time

Besides Jackson street is the natural stamping ground of dice sharks and what with the terrible blow which the Reed amendment struck at the principal Jackson street industry the peo-ple who hang out there are in no po-sition to send any of their money out

. . . Pretty cold for this baseball game.

. . . But then the lunatics who take in

the so called big series do not care | have a tendency to promote violation what kind of a game they see.

To be with the crowd is their prin-But a lot of them would run their legs off if you suggested that they

ing the army.

could get into a bigger crowd by join-

Have you negotiated for that Liberty Bond yet? Battling Bob LaFollette is to get his inning before the investigating

committee Tuesday. . . . And this time he will have to talk sense and right to the point.

Or go out on his neck.

. . . Supreme court has ruled that intoxication is a good defense in court in some cases.

That isn't so bad, now that the anti ooze laws are beginning to be en-

But it ought to have occurred to the learned court that such a ruling might

of those very laws.

Courts when they begin to split hair can be as darned foolish as laymen. Astonisher says the poem "It Can be Done" is "said to be from the pen of a local boy."

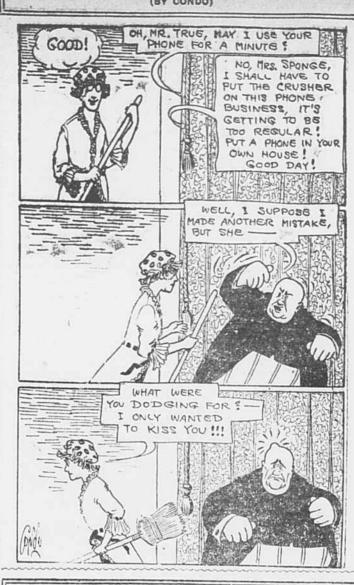
That'll be news to Eddie Guest.

Not knocking the town, of course, but the poem on page 5 of this morning's Astonisher runs truer to "local boy" poetic form.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is catarrh. Cajarrh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in the curative powers of Hall's Catarrh Medicine that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it falls to cure. Send for light of testimonials. Address F. J. CHINNEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggist, Tea.

## OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE



### WASHINGTON NEWS GOSSIP By CHARLES BROOKS SMITH.

increases the pensions of widows of take his secretary hand to Spencer soldiers, sailors and marines who with him, but later decided to keep soldiers, sailors and marines who with him, but later served during the Civil war, the war with Spain and the Filipino insurrection to \$25 a month and the increase

These and other facts about the ew law are contained in a letter from the Pension Commissioner received by Congressman Bowers today. law does not include widows of sol diers of the regular army and naval establishments not of the marines: nor does it take in 1812, Mexican and Indian war widows.

Those widows who will benefit by this law are not required to make any ng on the roll already they have established their rights to be there, and the department has all the evidence necessary. The increase will go to rather lack of leadership, was responsible for the outbreak, has even been indicted.

The fact them automatically, and the department also states promptly. The fact that many widows receive increases under the Ashbrook law last year, does not affect their rights under the new law. They will receive the further increase after the 4th of next month-\$25 a month. does not repeal the Ashbrook law.

Karl M. Case of Parkersburg has received an appointment as an inspector of textiles and his been ordered Mr. Reed to place the latter in cm to report at St. Louis for daty at ployment at once. Both Messrs, Cole once. Congressman Woodyard has man and Hugill came to Washington also been notified by the Pension Bu- to look after these matters in person reau of the granting of a Pension of and with the help of the congressman \$12 a month to Mrs. Melissa V. Bibbee from their district. of Hanna, tobether with accrued pendue her husband, Franklin Bil bee, at the time of his death.

The Post Office Department has i ued notice that examinations will b held November 14 to fill the posit! of postmaster at the following Was Virginia offices: Gary, salary \$1800 Logan, \$2400; Shepherdstown, \$1600; and Vivian, \$1000. Vacancies, due resignations, are announced to exist at Meadville in Tyler county and at Smithers in Favette county. mission has been issued to Russell R Paynter at Kingston.

George W. McChord and Samuel George, of Wellsburg, have been in the city for several days and filed through Senator Sutherland their applications with endorsements for commissions in the aviation section of the signal corps. Later, they were notified to appear Saturday morning at the War Department to take the examination for the service.

Congressman Stuart F. Roed was notified today by the Pension Com-missioner that increases to \$30 a month had been granted two of his constituents, namely, Granville L. Fortney of Wyatt, and Jacob L. Morgan of Altizer.

The offices of all the members of Congress from West Virginia except the office of Representative Littlepage are open and running as usual. And there is plenty of busines to keep

is located immediately south of John WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 13. The them going, notwithstanting the fact pension amendment passed by Conthat Congress is not in session. Congress on October 6th, automatically gresman Woodyard and planned to at Tabler's staotion. The price paid for the tract is in the neighborhood take his secretary hour to Spencer of \$207 per acre-or nearly \$2 for with him, but later decided to keep each tree in the orchard. Brown's factory, East Roncevrte, brot

United States Senator James E. Watson will accompany Representa-tive Stuart F. Reed of Topska, Kas, measuring 33 inches in length, says the West Virginia News. The vine to attend the annual convention of the association of secretaries of state of which Mr. Reed is the originator and also president. Mr. Reed invited Senator Watson to attend and deliver The local comm stee has notified Mr. Reed that an auditorium capable of seating 8000 people had been secured for the Watson meeting and that it would be alled to capacity as there was great interest to the Indiana orator and schater. Reca as the retiring pro- lent of tac association will preside over that measter meeting. He and Senator Watson will leave for Topeka the L. Briers grocery store window and is a real curiosity in "pump-kingdom." first part of next week.

whose father is head of one of the argest glass manufacturers there, has een recommended by Congressman Reed for a captaincy in the motor and meat and a pan of water were albranch of the quartermasters corps; so included. and also Edumund Hugill of Clarks ourg for inspector of metals and machinery. Promise has been made to

Miss Anna Mayhall of Parkersburg. is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles 8 Brooks Smith on Columbia Road.



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#### What People Say And Some Side Remarks

Coal Administrator Garfield thinks that a coal famine can only follow on increased demand. He says:

'Coal production in this country this year will exceed that of last year by ten per cent. The embargo against sending coal into Canada has been lifted and ar rangements made by which it is to be supplied on a pro-rata basis, substantially as though it were a state of the union."
That's fine. It is to be hoped that

American people will soon start ac-cepting Canadian quarters at their

Everything is blamed on "the war" excepting the decreased attendance at the Normal. Prof. Joseph Rosier explains the decrease in attendance

there:
The secondary courses are be ing gradually dropped and that accounts for the decreased attendance. There is larger attendance in the higher grades than in for-mer years. The graduating class of this year will be larger than that of last year."

Governor Cornwell seems to be an idmirer of Roosevelt for he says in a "war boost" going the rounds of the weeklies in plate:

"We started with a 'shoe-string.' Hypnotized with chautauqua eloquence and pacifist pratings we ignored or denounced the advice of Colonel Roosevelt and other men who saw with equal vision the necessity of preparedness for eventualities."

BITS OF

STATE NEWS

One of the biggest orchard deals in the recent history of Bel beley county was consummated at Martinsburg the other day when Congresman George M. Bower, his son Stephen Bowers,

Attorney Wilbur H. Thomas and E. C. Henshaw purchased the big fruit farm

of Harrison & Lord, located near Ta-bler's Station. The price is said to approximate \$50,000. The tract is known as the Federal Hill orchard. This orchard embraces 242 acres of

land, and is planted in 28,000 apple

trees of the best varieties. The trees are now seven years old. The orchard

Stewart's big Protumna orchard.

G. W. Hedrick who lives near

to this office this week a bean pod,

from which this pod was taken was 25 feet long and bore 152 pounds. Sev-

eral of the beans were 37 inches in length. We could not learn the name

Bellepoint is again to the front. She

not only produces a big tomato, "mur phys" and Fletch Tincher's, but enor-

mous pumpkins says the Hinton Inde

pendent-World, a pumpkin that weighs 76 pounds. It is on exhibition in E.

A 16 year old dog, a favorite of

Cree Erwin, who is now located at Ponca City, Oklahoma, was shipped

The biggest sale of pears in the

Eastern Panhandle was recently con-

Don't fall to see it.

### EAST SIDE -:- NEWS -:-

summated, when Theodore F. Imbach, of Martinsburg, purchased the entire crop of Kleffer pears from the Beck-

unusually good fruit. Mr. Imbach re-sold the pears to New York dealers who will try to ship them to Europe.

Louis LeBaron of Tulsa, Okla., was

in the city from Saturday until Mon-day, visiting his brother, A. C. Lelia

ron, of Cherry street, says the St. Mary's Oracle. He is a drilling con-tractor, and has been engaged in that

business for the last fifteen years in various places in the southwest. He has the honor of having drilled the

largest oil well the world has ever seen, the great well for an English

company in the Tampico field in Mex-ico, which yielded the prodigious amount of \$0,000 barrels a day.

A large number of the ministers of

the state have responded to the request of J. F. Marsh, secretary of the

tate executive food conservation com-

mittee, to preach special sermons on

Sunday morning, October 21, in launch

ing the state conservation campaign in which it is proposed to secure 200.

000 pledges to save in the interest of the war programme. Some of the

ministers have even stated that they

will use the text as suggested by Mr. Marsh, John 6:12—"Cather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be

with estate, near Harper's Ferry. To

At Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Elza Morris are at Baltimore where Mr. Morris is being treated at Johns Hopkins hospital for an affliction on one of his feet.

#### Dale Doolittle Dead.

Dale Doolittle, foutcen year old sen of Luther Doolittle of Clarkspurg, died Thursday morning at the home of his parents of diabetes. The young man had many relatives on the East Side a number of whom will sattend the funeral services which will be held teday.

#### At. Rev. Brown's.

Miss Cummings of Tunnelton who has is in a patient at Cook hospital for a time has been removed from the bospital to the home of her son Rev. John Lrown in Newton street.

Personals.

Mrs. Bert Belma of Morgantown is visiting her sister Mrs. Luther Steele

in Haymond street.

Mr. and Mrs. Rusell Malone and children of Little Falls are spending the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tichnell in Market street. Mrs. James Arnett who has been the guest of her aunt Mrs. J. D. Sum-

mers accompanied her father Joseph Jones of Little Falls to Weston today, Clarence Fisher spent Thursday out near White Day hunting squirrels.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Corbin who have been visiting relatives here for several days return tomorrow to their of the variety of legumes but some call them the flower bean. They came from New Jersey. home at Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Andrew Hawkins of Barrack-

ville is spending a few days with her sister Mrs. Andrew Vandergrift in Market street. Mrs. Mary McAllister and daughter Corena have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Gaskins on ice's Run

for a couple of days. Joseph Jolliffe who has been here among relatives for several months started on the return trip to his home in California

Mrs. J. H. Coles of Lenore, W. Va. is visiting her sister, Mrs. Harry Wil-son in Reeves street.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

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